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INFORMATION REPORT

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1. [redacted] 13 naval vessels come out from Sosnovets Island (N 66-29, E 40-41) and sail in a northerly direction. They were observed during the entire forenoon while they performed maneuvers in the White Sea Strait. [redacted] the vessels moved in line formation at a high speed; then in pairs and from time to time by fours on various speeds and courses. They disappeared in the direction of Cape Kanin (N 68-36, E 43-18). 25X1
2. [redacted] The vessels were similar, about 250 feet long. Each had one stack with a mast forward of it and a short mast aft; the break from the forecandle was just behind the stack. The stack was situated quite far aft on each vessel. On the foredeck there was a gun behind a splinter shield and on the afterdeck there was gun on a mount. 25X1
3. [redacted] ship was overtaken by a naval vessel west of Svyatoy Nos (N 68-10 E 39-48). It looked like the same type as those observed in the White Sea Strait. The vessel sailed without navigation lights. 25X1
4. In the evening, before [redacted] ship arrived at Svyatoy Nos, four mine-sweepers passed going in the opposite direction. Each ship had one stack and no large guns. They were considerably smaller than the vessels seen in the White Sea Strait. 25X1
5. [redacted] four large naval vessels between Kildin Island (N 69-21, E 34-10) and the Rybachiy Peninsula (N 69-42, E 32-36). Three of them were seen simultaneously just outside Kola Inlet. There was about ten nautical miles distance between them and they all seemed to be patrolling on a north to south course. The fourth ship was seen a short time later north of Tyasp Navolok (N 69-42, E 33-08). This vessel was 350 to 400 feet long and 25X1

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had two stacks with a mast just forward of each stack. [redacted]
 [redacted] No other details were observed.

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6. [redacted] at Sawmill No. 26 [redacted] located closest to
 the river's mouth on the right bank. There was room for two ships along
 the quay. [redacted]

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[redacted] There
 had been no changes in the sawmill since [redacted] 1952,
 except that there were many more houses in the area. It seemed that the
 sawmill was cutting more lumber than the amount that was being shipped.
 Much of the timber on the storage place consisted of old black boards which could
 not be exported. [redacted] during the past year
 9,000 standards had been exported from the sawmill.

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7. One day a large railroad ferry came to the quay at No. 26. It was about
 250 feet long and 60 feet wide. The bridge was on a large 15-meter-high
 built-up section forward. One stack was located along the centerline.
 There were no tracks on the ferry, [redacted] automobiles
 could drive straight through from bow to stern. [redacted] the ferry
 come up to the quay. [redacted]

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